

PETER F. SEAMAN.

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MAY 7, 1884.—Laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

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Mr. PATTON, from the Committee on Invalid Pensions, submitted the following

## REPORT:

[To accompany bill H. R. 1333.]

*The Committee on Invalid Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 1333) granting a pension to Peter F. Seaman, respectfully report :*

That Peter F. Seaman enlisted in the military service of the United States as a private in Company I, Seventh Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteers, July 7, 1861, and was honorably discharged April 3, 1865.

The records of the Adjutant-General's Office show that this soldier was captured at the battle of the Wilderness, in Virginia, May 5, 1864, and exchanged at Wilmington, N. C., February 27, 1865. The prisoner of war records also show the capture of this soldier at the Wilderness and his confinement in the Confederate military prison at Andersonville and his exchange February 26, 1865.

February 8, 1878, he filed a declaration for pension on the ground that while a prisoner of war at Andersonville, in September, 1864, he contracted a rupture on the left side; that after his return home he was treated by Dr. Yocum, who is now dead.

February 14, 1879, the claim was rejected by the Pension Office, on the ground of no record of alleged disability.

It is clearly shown that the soldier was a sound, able-bodied man, and free from disease at the time of his enlistment. But there is no evidence of the origin of the disability in the military service. Your committee, therefore, recommend that the bill lie on the table.

